OREGON'S UTILIZED FRUITS AND NUTS

Utilized production of fruits and nuts in Oregon during 2001 increased 11% from 2000 and decreased 10% from 1999.

Oregon was the third leading state in production of all pears during 2001, contributing 24% of the nation's utilized production. The state ranked third in production of Bartlett pears and second in pears other than Bartletts. Oregon's sweet cherry production also ranked third in the nation, accounting for 15% of U.S. production. Oregon ranked sixth for all grape production but accounted for less than 1% of national production. The state's tart cherry production was seventh in the nation and also

accounted for less than 1% of the U.S. total. Apple production ranked seventh nationally, contributing 1.5% of U.S. production.

Other pears were the most valuable tree crop for 2001 with value of production at \$42.7 million. Oregon hazelnut and wine grape producers reaped record harvests. Wine grape producers also sold their crop at a record high price. However, hazelnut growers received the lowest price since 1993. The hazelnut prices are affected more by world than local supply. Prices for pears other than Bartletts (winter pears) were the lowest since 1994.

Value of production, percent of total, Oregon, 2001

